

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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JERRY LYNN O'NEAL,

Plaintiff,

v.

ALLSTATE INSURANCE, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 3:13-cv-00041-MMD-VPC

ORDER

Before the Court is Magistrate Judge Valerie P. Cooke's Report and Recommendation ("R&R") (dkt. no. 13) recommending dismissal of Plaintiff's first amended complaint (dkt. no. 5) with prejudice and denial of Plaintiff's motion for U.S. Marshal Service (dkt. no. 12) as moot. The deadline for Plaintiff to file any objections was October 27, 2013 (dkt. no. 13). No objections were filed.


This Court "may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Where a party timely objects to a magistrate judge's report and recommendation, then the court is required to "make a *de novo* determination of those portions of the [report and recommendation] to which objection is made." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Where a party fails to object, however, the court is not required to conduct "any review at all . . . of any issue that is not the subject of an objection." *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 149 (1985). Indeed, the Ninth Circuit has recognized that a district court is not required to review a magistrate judge's report and recommendation where no objections have been filed. *See United States v.*

1 *Reyna-Tapia*, 328 F.3d 1114 (9th Cir. 2003) (disregarding the standard of review
2 employed by the district court when reviewing a report and recommendation to which no
3 objections were made); see also *Schmidt v. Johnstone*, 263 F. Supp. 2d 1219, 1226 (D.
4 Ariz. 2003) (reading the Ninth Circuit's decision in *Reyna-Tapia* as adopting the view
5 that district courts are not required to review "any issue that is not the subject of an
6 objection"). Thus, if there is no objection to a magistrate judge's recommendation, then
7 the court may accept the recommendation without review. See, e.g., *Johnstone*, 263 F.
8 Supp. 2d at 1226 (accepting, without review, a magistrate judge's recommendation to
9 which no objection was filed).

10 Nevertheless, this Court finds it appropriate to engage in a *de novo* review in
11 order to determine whether to adopt the R&R. The R&R recommends dismissing
12 Plaintiff's amended complaint for failure to state a claim. Upon review of the R&R and
13 the record in this case, the Court determines that it is appropriate to adopt the R&R in
14 full.

15 It is hereby ordered that the R&R (dkt. no. 13) is accepted and adopted. It is
16 ordered that Plaintiff's first amended complaint (dkt. no. 5) be dismissed with prejudice.
17 It is further ordered that Plaintiff's motion for U.S. Marshal Service (dkt. no. 12) is denied
18 as moot. The Clerk is directed to enter judgment in accordance with this order and close
19 this case.

20 DATED THIS 5th day of March 2014.

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24 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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